

Planning and Steering Committee Meeting

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Agenda Item	Presenter
1. Welcome & Introductions	Lynn Martin
2. Review and Approve Minutes	Group
3. Brief update on CMS correspondence	Lynn Martin
4. Application Responses	Lynn Martin
5. Quality Measure Selection	Francis Rushton, MD
6. Brief discussion on Final Operational Plan	Lynn Martin
7. Regional Extension Center presentation	Todd Thornburg, PhD

In Attendance:

Laurel Eddins, DHHS
 Felicity Myers, DHHS
 Lynn Martin, DHHS
 Dr. Bob Bank, DMH
 Anthony Hargrave, IBM
 Dr. Francis Rushton, CATCH
 Diane Flashnick, Federation of Families
 David Wiggin, Thomson Reuters
 Marisa Allen, Thomson Reuters
 Sarah Ball, SCORxE
 Vik Kheterpal, Care Evolution
 Ana Lopez-Defede, IFS
 Kathy Mayfield-Smith, IFS
 Vicky Young, SCPHCA
 Fred Volkman, Select Health (via conference line)
 Sallie Campbell, MUSC (via conference line)

1. Welcome & Introductions – Lynn Martin and group
2. Minutes approved
 - Lynn verified with DHHS legal staff that the QTIP logo is OK to use
3. Brief update on CMS correspondence
 - CMS presented QTIP grant staff with a list of questions that DHHS QTIP staff and principal contractors worked to answer; one particular concern was clarifying how the various grants that DHHS has been awarded work together without duplicate efforts
 - No National Evaluator has been announced to date
 - CMS has scheduled a conference call on Monday, August 2nd regarding oral health

4. Application responses

- Lynn reviewed the breakdown of application received, as well as provider outreach efforts
- Applications close July 28th; 26 applications were submitted as of close of business on July 27th.
- IFS will perform a volume analysis to determine the actual percentage of Medicaid patients, demographics etc.
- Follow up telephone interviews are being conducted. These consist of reviewing the expectation and the time involved, IT systems, along with gathering more information about the practice. To date, 15 of the 26 practices have been interviewed. Of the practices interviewed, those who do not currently have an EHR in place plan on implementing within 18 months.
- The current goal is to have the practices selected no later than September 1st. In addition, DHHS plan to have the practice deliverables outlined by the end of August.
- We anticipate that we may select 15 practices, and choose 2 or 3 as “waiting list” practices. Issues with the stipend, budgets, and receiving CMS approval will need to occur.

5. Quality Indicator Measures – Dr. Rushton (handout)

- The first year of the grant, we will focus on a limited number of quality indicators. Dr. Rushton has identifies four to introduce at the January's Learning Collaborative meeting. Planning and Steering Committee agreed to adopt first four quality indicators proposed.
- Using the responses the Planning and Steering Committee and the Learning Collaborative, Dr. Rushton compiled the list of measures and the time frame for introducing them with the Learning Collaboratives held over the next 4 years. He wanted to start out with some indicators that providers will do well with and that show our interest in the Mental Health component of the grant.
- Most of the data will be extracted out of EHR; other data (i.e. ED usage) may need to be extracted from claims data because not all have electronic records systems in place. Thomson Reuters and Care Evolution will work on having adapters in the practices to extract the data.
- Data will be gathered on all 24 QI measures from the beginning, but only a limited number will be focused on at the Learning Collaboratives and subsequent quality improvement cycles.
- Dr. Rushton gave a brief overview of the structure and topics for the Learning Collaborative in January 2011. He also reviewed practice interaction of monthly site visits, monthly process assessments and monthly Learning Collaborative data feeds.
- The question was asked whether or not the practices will just have to report BMI and screenings or if corrective actions must be taken. At the Learning Collaboratives, we will discuss with the practices how to launch the solutions, plans or resources in their practices to correct the issue. We will look at resources in these communities and try to establish or enhance those linkages. Dr. Bank offered to help identify some resources that DMH uses.
- Practices need to understand how to use evidence based protocols to get NCQA certification

6. Final Operational Plan (FOP)

- Lynn Martin reviewed the FOP guidance that CMS has given to date. In the South Carolina's application certain deliverables and time frames were defined. The principal contractors are meeting to coordinate efforts and define everything in more detail. In addition, the Planning and Steering members will be asked to provide feedback on how information should flow and the best way to communicate. The family perspective offered by the committee will be utilized to assure the grant is meeting the needs of its recipients, as well as members specific knowledge.

7. Regional Extension Center Presentation – Todd Thornburg

- ARRA funded HITECH grants – CITIA of SC: Center for Information Technology Implementation Assistance.
- CITIA has identified 2,000 primary targets that need assistance, but the grant only requires them to help 1,000.
- The QTIP principal contractors will work to coordinate efforts with Mr. Thornburg.
- NOTE: the power point presentation was e-mailed to Planning and Steering members on July 28, 2010